every effort to run down and punish the first train was received at Chi-

those responsible for the murder of American citizens near Santa Ysabel. Mex., was one of the developments today in the Mexican situation.

The information being prepared for President Wilson for transmission to the Senate foreign relations committee in response to Senator Fall's resolution calling for reasons which led to recognition of Carranza. The committee will meet Wednesday to consider the nomination of Henry P. Fletcher, to be ambassador to the Carranza government, which will form the basis of formal consideration of the Mexican problem. It is generally admitted that nothing can be done toward Mr. Fletcher's confirmation, because of republican opposition, pending the receipt of the President's reply to Senator Fall's resolution. It is expected to reach the committee in time for the meeting Wednesday.

Apprehension felt regarding the resolution. It is expected to reach the committee in time for the meeting Wednesday.

Apprehension felt regarding the safety of Vice Consul Coen at Durango was allayed today by the receipt of a SERBS' CAPITAL MOVED reporting F. O. Emerson, regarding reporting F. O. Emerson, regarding whom inquiries had been made, safe at Durango.

State Department Asserts

Carranza Officials Assured Americans Route Was Safe

Evidence collected at El Paso by State Department agents indicates that Carranza authorities at Chihuahua assured C. R. Watson, head of the party opinion, however, many of the Americans agreed, although they had suggested to the authorities the advisability of sending troops with the party. The advices further stated that the Carranza governor of Chihuahua gave Watson a personal passport and that the Carranza immigration authorities in Juarez gave a general passport for the whole Watson party. These developments are taken to point to the responsibility of the Carranza government for not adequately protecting the Americans.

Americans.

The State Department gave out this paraphrase of its official advices from El Paso:

"Holmes, the only survivor of the massare, has no knowledge as to whether Watson and companions requested a military escort or guard for their trip from Chihuahua to Cusihuirlachic. He states that if they did so the authorities declined to furnish an escort or guard. Holmes says that all of the members of the party felt safe in making the trip.

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"It is reported by a person connected with one of the companies operating in Chihuahua that the day that the Americans that were killed started for the works he had a conversation with Watson and asked him if a Mexican escort was to accompany his party. He replied that such an escort would not accompany them, as he had talked with the authorities and they told him it was not necessary. it was not necessary.

Issued Passport to Party. 'As to what assurances, if any, Wat

n and companions had received from and companions to Mexico was to re-sume the operation of these mines, the immigration authorities in Juarez, upon application of the El Paso agents

Gen. Gabriel Gavira, commandant at

sume the operation of these mines, the immigration authorities in Juarez, upon application of the El Paso agents of the Cusi Company, gave a general passport to the Watson party. The Governor of Chihuahua also gave a personal passport to Watson.

"Watson went to Chihuahua and was there January 4 to ascertain if it would be safe to resume operations. While there he got the de facto authorities to send a garrison to and maintain it at Cusi. On that day three trains of troops, of twenty cars each, supposed to carry a total force of 1,000 men, in charge of Gen. Jose Cavazos of the de facto government, left Chihuahua for Cusi at 3 a.m., and 1:30 and 4 p.m., respectively. The 1:30 train also carried the Mexican civilians. Lopez and Loweree, employes of the Cusi Mexicana Company, another American-owned company, another American-owned company in the Cusi camp. Said Enriquez is a brother of the de facto governmend company, another American-owned company, another American-owned company in the Cusi camp. Said Enriquez is a brother of the de facto governor of the state of Chihuahua. After being satisfied that a garrison was going to the camp and after the second military train had left Chihuahua, Watson left for El Paso at 4 p.m.

"On January 6 the Chihuahua agent of the Company of the Company of the Chihuahua agent of the Company of the Chihuahua agent of the Company of the Chihuahua agent of the Company of the Company of the Chihuahua agent of the Company of the Company of the Chihuahua agent of the Company of the Co

On January 6 the Chihuahua agent of the Cusi Company, with whom I have just talked in my office, telegraphed Watson at El Paso, in refere to the above named civilian pasence to the above named civilian passengers on said second military train, information received by him from Cusi by phone as follows: 'Boys arrived Cusi safely last night. They found everything quiet over there.' As this telegram mentioned the boys without mentioning the troops, Watson on the same day, to make certain that a garrison was established at Cusi, telegraphed the Chihuahua agent: Wire if troops arrive Cusi, and trains running Northwestern.' To which the Chihuahua agent replied on the same day: Troops arrived Cusi. Since yes. Troops arrived Cusi. Since yes-evening Northwest trains suspended indefinitely, account no fuel.' On the same day said Chihuahua agent also telegraphed Watson at El Paso: 'Cusi office again reports everything. 'Cust office again reports everything quiet,' and 'Lopez telephones we have just located two bags missing and we are now receiving some in our office.

Silver Part of Loot.

The missing bags referred to were silver that had been stolen during a previous looting of the camp, and perhaps indicated to Watson a restoration of order with the establishment of the first woman to join the New York Yacht Club. Her body will be taken to her estate on Cumberland Island, off the Georgia coast, for burial. military garrison. Foregoing messages are supposed to have been with Watson on the trip to Cust, as he took all the records from El Paso with him London Express Asks What Francis preparatory to operating the offices at the property. Members of the party the property. Members of the party that rescued the bodies state those records and papers could be seen scattered by winds around the scenes of the massacre. They did not try to gather them, because of appoaching darkness and presence of Villista bandits on nearby hills. Copies from which the foregoing were taken were furnished by the Western Union office at El Paso.

"Having passports issued by authorities, and a garrison having been established which they understand to number 1.666 men, they had ample assurances that it would be safe to resume operations at Cusi.

"Upon the question of safety en route the de facto authorities had run their three military trains to Cusi on the 4th, and, as afterward came to the notice of the party, was that day running a special out to pick up and bring back the equipment used for those three trains. It was this special that blocked the track and trapped the Watson party. The train which blocked the track and trapped the Watson party. The train which blocked the track and trapped the Watson party. The train which blocked the track and trapped the Watson party. The train which blocked the track and trapped the Watson party. The train which blocked the track and trapped the Watson party. The train which blocked the track and trapped the Watson party. The train which blocked the track and trapped the Watson party. The train which blocked the track and trapped the Watson party. The train which blocked the track and trapped to the Asbury Park Trust Company and the Asbury Park Press at Asbury Park, N. J. The fire started in the newscar and caboose, all National railway, equipment, and was operated by a crew of the National railways, which National railways are operated by the d facto government authorities.

Were Government Employes. Therefore the crew in charge of this

train were employes of the de facto

Before leaving members of the crew stated that the train was going to Cust to pick up and bring back to Chinushua the National railways equipment, which had been used in sending a flarrison to Cusi to Lusi a few days previous. This train was operated by the defected by the withdrawal of public lands under the Taft administration to first information that the North Western railroad officials had of it was the notice at Chinushua when the train was ready to leave Chinushua that morning. This freight rain was derailed at kilometer 68 by the continental United States and Alaska, Saturday passed the House. Protection for California oil promoters whose claims were affected by the withdrawal of public lands under the Taft administration is one of its prominent features. It now speed to the Senate.

Orders Favorable Report on Downey

The Senate judiciary committee today ordered a favorable report on the nomination of George E. Downey to be judge of the United States Court of Claims, Judge Downey was formerly controller of the United States and Alaska, Saturday passed the House. Protection Robert Johnson, colored, was sentenced to 180 days in jail today in the Police Court by Judge Pugh after he had pleaded guilty to a charge of carrying deadly weapon.

Floods in Belgium Serious, London, January 17.—Reports from the Dutch frontier sent by the Amsterdam correspondent of the Central News indicate that Beigium has suffered heavily from the floods, especially in South Flanders. The River Scheldt has risen several meters and the villages of Wellen, Gavere, Syngen and Schelderode are completely inundated. "The train left Chibushua at 9:30 a.m.

TO BRINDISI, IN ITALY

Reorganized Army of 100,000 Men to Be Ready in Two Months.

BRINDISI, Italy, January 16, via of Americans killed near Santa Ysabel. Rome, January 17.-Forty members of that no escort was necessary. In that the Serbian government have arrived here from Scutari, accompanied by diplomats of the allied powers accredited to King Peter.

government officials are at Brindist.

King Peter Goes to Aedepsos.

ATHENS, January 15, via Paris, January 17.-King Peter of Serbia left Saloniki this morning for Aedepsos, on the Island of Euboea, in the Aegean sea, where he will take the cure for sea, when

Serb Army to Reorganize.

PARIS, January 17.-A dispatch to the Temps from Saloniki says: "Col. Bokovitch, the Serblan minister of war, before leaving here for Brindisi said Serbia would offer the entente allies in two months a completely re-organized army of 100,000 men."

TO EXHIBIT BANDIT'S BODY. Mexicans Bringing Remains of Jose Rodriguez to Juarez.

EL PASO, Tex., January 17 .- Twenty-Mexican authorities that it would be five Mormon colonists from the state of safe to resume operations at Cusi- Chihuahua, Mexico, arrived here late last huiriachic, knowing that the Cusi night aboard a train that came through mines were situated at Cusl and that to Juarez from Casas Grandes. A numthe purpose of the return of Watson ber of others, it was stated, were coming

Controller Rules Against Two Toilet of Senator Gallinger's statement.

Surgeon John S. Boggess of the pubcumstances, and \$1.80 for laundry, dom-while he was on station, although ac-cumulated aboard ship in going there. The controller of the Treasury, W. W. Warwick, confirms the finding of the auditor for the Treasury Department.

MRS. L. C. CARNEGIE DIES. I Sister-in-Law of "Steel King" Is Victim of Pneumonia.

BOSTON, January 17.-Mrs. Lucy Coleman Carnegie, widow of Thomas M. Carnegie, and sister-in-law of Andrew Carnegie, died of pneumonia yesterday at the home of her daughter Mrs Oli. ver G. Ricketson, in Waverly. She was sixty-nine years old.

Mrs. Carnegie's father was a nionee

M. P. LONG ABSENT.

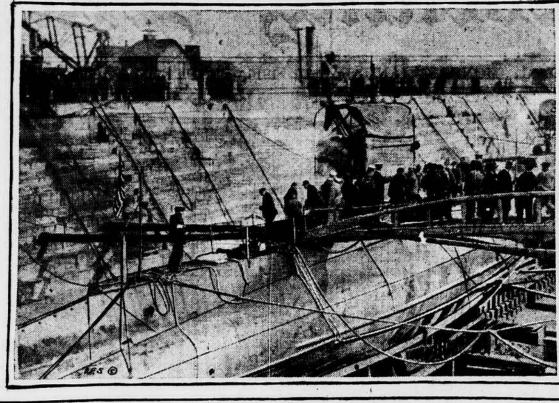
Neilson Is Doing in America.

LONDON, January 17.—Under the faith. heading of " Mystery of an M. P.," the Express asks what Francis Neilson is doing in America. The Express states that he has not appeared in the house of commons since August, 1914. In August, 1915, he went to the United the United Stotes is provided in a bill States on a six-month health tour, but introduced today by Senator Overman the Express says his constituents have of North Carolina, chairman of the learned that he was able recently to judiciary committee. It also would be address meetings at Providence, R. I., made to apply to corporations, com-

paper plant, J. L. Kinmouth, owner of the Press, announced that the paper will be published in a cottage until permanent new quarters can be ob-tained.

House Passes Land Leasing Bill. The mineral land leasing bill, affecting

SCENE OF SUBMARINE EXPLOSION.



LOOKING DOWN ON THE E-2 IN DRY DOCK, NEW YORK NAVY YARD.

LEADS IN FIRST OF SERIES. Washington State College Ahead in Rifle Competition Match.

Washington State College, with 999 hits out of a possible 1,000, led in the university teams throughout under auspices of the National Rifle Association of America. Michigan Agricultural College was with 993.

Other high scores were: Massachu setts Agricultural, 992; Norwich Uni- Md. versity, 992; West Virginia University, versity, 992; West Virginia University, 989; University of Pennsylvania, 981; Notre Dame, 980; Iowa State University, 980; University of Illinois, 980; California University, 975, and University of Vermont, 972. All of these clubs are in class A except Notre Dame, which is in class B. Washington State College was high club in class A. Notre Dame in class B and Rensselaer Polytechnic, 945, in class C.

AT ISSUE WITH MR. ESTABROOK

Senator Gallinger Declares New Hampshire Loyal to Mr. Weeks. Senator Gallinger of New Hampshire today took sharp issue with National Committeeman Estabrook of that state who was recently quoted as saying that New Hampshire does not favor

the presidential candidacy of Senator Weeks of Massachusetts. "Mr. Estabrook's statement is erron eous and entirely misrepresents the sentiments of New Hampshire," said Senator Gallinger today, "Senator Weeks has the full support of New Hampshire and is her only candidate for the republican presidential nomina-

6,000 IN GARMENT STRIKE. In Philadelphia 250 Factories Are

Tied Up. PHILADELPHIA, January 17-Gar ment workers numbering about 6.000 went on strike here today for higher wages and better working conditions. As a consequence about 250 factories bers of the union will join the ranks of the strikers. Nearly all of the strikers are women and girls. All of the fac-

tories are picketed.

The demands of the strikers are for a fifty-hour week, a maximum of four hours a night when working nights, a 15 per cent increase in wages, a minimum wage of \$6 a week for women and \$8 for men, the appointment of grievance and arbitration committees and the supplying by employers of all materials used.

PARDONS ELECTION OFFICIALS. President Frees Two Oklahomans

courts of intimidating negroes and preventing their voting, under the grandfather clause of the Oklahoma constitution, were pardoned today by President Wilson Just after the Supreme Court of the

United States held the grandfather cause unconstitutional President Wilson granted the two men a respite, which would have expired February 6. The pardons today were said to be based on the assumption that state officials evidently held the grandfather clause valid, and the two election officials in enforcing it acted in good

To Extend White Slave Law.

Extension of the provisions of the Mann white slave act to Alaska, the Canal Zone and insular possessions of and Brockton, Mass., and other places and that they take exception to some of the statements he is reported to have made at these meetings.

Lieut. Commander O. H. Oakley Dies NEW YORK, January 17.-Lieut. Commander Owen Horace Oakley, U. S. N., died here yesterday of pneumonia after a week's illness. He was listed as the Asbury Park Trust Company and engineer of the battleship Utah. Lieut. Commander Oakley was born in Lincoln. Neb. in 1879, and was graduated from the Navai Academy at Annapolis in 1901. He married in 1904 Anna Truxton Craven, daughter of the late Henry S. Craven, civil engineer, U. S. N. Besides his widow, he leaves a son one

Gets 180 Days for Carrying Weapon

U. S. Supreme Court Sustains Lower Tribunals in Coates Case.

FINAL DECISION FOR D. C.

The United States Supreme Court to day dismissed, for want of jurisdiction, from the Court of Appeals. The appelfarm stables in Prince Georges county,

Md.

The District of Columbia demurred that the health officers were engaged in a governmental function, for which the District is not liable, and this contention was upheld by the lower courts.

URGES AN INVESTIGATION.

Representative Howard Wants Senator Shields Proposes to Prevent Probe of National Banks.

Representative Howard of Georgia today urged the House rules committee to report his resolution for an intional banks of the federal reserve

Proposes Site for Memorials.

Senator Jones of Washington today offered a bill in the Senate setting aside the park grounds between the Capitol and the Union station as site for memorials to American wome and their achievements.

Agreed Upon for Newark P.M. John F. Sinnet has practically been agreed upon for postmaster of New rk, N. J. The nomination is expected to be sent to the Senate within the next few days.

ern Union Telegraph Company has been issued. Morris Cook, assistant general manager at Chicago, becomes general manager of the Pacific division, with headquarters in San Francisco, C. H. Gaunt, now general manager of the Pasucceed W. W. Ryder, present general manager here, Mr. Ryder is to go to New

Wants Lamar Appeal Dismissed. The government today asked the gin. Supreme Court of the United States to dismiss without oral argument the appeal of David Lamar, sometimes called the wolf of Wall street," from his conviction in New York on charges of

Senate Restaurant Steward Dead. Dick Shaw, for thirty-seven years the colored steward of the Senate restau-

THE ASIATIC FIGHTING GROUND.



JUDGE VENABLE TAKES OATH.

Fills House Vacancy Caused by Representative Witherspoon's Death.

Judge W. W. Venable, successor to the late Representative Witherspoon of first of a series of twelve rifle matches the appeal of Leonard R. Coates against | Mississippl, representing the fifth disjust begun by thirty-nine college and the District of Columbia, coming up trict of that state, was sworn in in the House today. Considerable national lant sought to recover damages in the interest has been shown in Judge Venamount of \$12,039.22, claimed to have able's election, as it is said to be the been suffered by reason of the alleged result of a direct issue on the preparsecond with 998 hits and Cornell third carelessness of employes of the health edness issue. He opposed the little department in disinfecting his dairy navy principles of his predecessor, cates in the House believe that Judge Venable's election is a straw which shows the wind to be blowing in favor of national preparedness.

EMBARGO ON FIREARMS.

Their Interstate Shipment.

A bill to suppress the sale of pistols. revolvers and other firearms in th states, territories and District of Coestigation of charges that certain na- lumbia by means of prohibiting the interstate shipment of such arms was system are charging usurious rates of introduced in the Senate today by Senator Shields of Tennessee.

John Skelton Williams, controller of the currency, upon whose statement Mr. Howard based his resolution, was to appear before the committee later. The inquiry will be conducted by the committee on banking and currency. makes the shipments of firearms between the states and into the territories and the District of Columbia a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of \$100 to \$500, or by imprisonment of from thirty days to six months.

Osborne Pleads Not Guilty.

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., January 17 .-Thomas Mott Osborne, former warden of Sing Sing prison, pleaded not guilty to-

rext few days.

Transfer of Western Union Heads.

CHICAGO, January 17.—An order transferring several heads of the Western Union Telegraph Company has been transferring several heads of the Western Union Telegraph Company has been the state of the Mestern Union Telegraph Company has been the state of the Mestern Union Telegraph Company has been the state of the Mestern Union Telegraph Company has been the state of the Mestern Union Telegraph Company has been the state of the Mestern Union Telegraph Company has been the state of the Mestern Union Heads.

Lorimer Trial Goes Over a Month CHICAGO, January 17 .- Another continuance was granted today in the trial of William Lorimer, formerly cific division, is to come to Chicago to president of the La Salle Street Trust and Savings Bank, and other officials of the bank, who are charged with comthe vice plicity in wrecking the institution. The case, which was set for today before Judge Dever in the criminal court, was continued to February 14, when the examination of jurors is expected to be

Believed to Have Died in Fire. BRANDON, Manitoba, January 17. One woman, Miss March, is believed to have lost her life in the destruction by President Frees Two Oklahomans
Convicted of Fraud.

Frank Guinn and J. J. Beal, two Oklahoma farmers who as election of ficials were convicted in the federal courts of intimidating negroes and courts of the fire today of Doig, Rankin & Robert-son's department store here. All other ments are the supposed the interest of the fire today of Doig, Rankin & Robert-son's department store here. All other ments are presentative palmer of Pennsylvania. The government urged the appeal was without merit. Lamar's attorneys opposed the government's request. The court took the matter under consideration.

Remembering Benjamin Franklin. PHILADELPHIA, Pa., January 17.— The 210th anniversary of the birth of

Benjamin Franklin was celebrated colored steward of the Senate restaurant, died at his residence, 1115 C street southeast, today. Shaw was held in esteem by the members of the Senate, and a number of them visited him during his illness. He leaves three daughters and a son.

Benjamin Frankin was celebrated here yesterday with fitting exercises. Students at the University of Pennsylvania, which he founded, and advertising men from all sections of the country, who have adopted him as their patron saint, were the leaders in the celebrations.

tice of Supreme Court Leaves Estate to Family.

IN OWN HANDWRITING

The will of Joseph Rucker Lamar, late associate justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, was filed today for probate. It is in the handwriting of the jurist, and was executed October 14, 1899. The property in the District belonging to the estate is valued at about \$130,000. Justice Lamar also owned real estate in Georgia and a half interest in a granite quarry there. The value of these holdings is

JUSTICE LAMAR'S WILL

Document of Late Associate Jus-

Item one of the document reads: friendships, many and precious, I leave to my family in the hope that they will be cherished and continued. I know of no enmities; but if such unhappily here-after arise, let them be forgotten."

not estimated

Bequests to His Sons.

P. Lamar, with interest.

the sons, Philip R. Lamar and William

The sons are also to have the half interest in the Diamond Blue Granite quarry in Oglethorpe county, Ga. Should the son William desire to practice law he is to have the library of the justice at a valuation to be fixed by three members of the Augusta bar.

Justice Lamar for years has been collecting out-of-date, out-of-print and other rare legal publications of the state of Georgia. He directs in his will that if any of these Georgia acts are not in the state library they be presented to the judges of the supreme court of the state "as a very slight token of my appreciation."

A bequest of \$25,000 is made to the widow, Clarinda P. Lamar, with a life interest in the remaining estate, which she may dispose of by will. In the failure of such disposition the estate The sons are also to have the half she may dispose of by will. In the failure of such disposition the estate

then goes to the two sons. Widow Named Executrix.

The widow is named as executrix and given power to keep the estate together or sell without the order of any court. She is also relieved of the duty of making inventory or returns of the prop-

erty.

The petition of the widow for the probate of the will, filed through Attorneys McKenney & Flannery, sets forth the ownership of premises 1751 New Hampshire avenue northwest, valued at \$60,000, and land in Georgia, the value of which is unknown to Mrs. Lamar. The personal estate comprises stock holdings of \$12,000; real estate notes of \$20,000, cash in bank, \$6,000, and life insurance of \$30,000. His household furniture and library are estimated at \$2,200.

URGED FOR SUPREME BENCH.

Delegations Call on President in In-

terest of Southern Candidates. Gov. Stuart of Virginia, Representaive Glass and a large delegation today asked President Wilson to appoint Representative Montague, former Governor of Virginia, to the Supreme Court vacancy caused by the death of the ate Justice Lamar. Senators Martin and Swanson and other Virginians re-cently called on the President and preand Swanson and other Virginians resented the name of Judge Kelly of

Sing Sing prison, pleaded not guilty today before Justice Morschauser to the indictment charging him with perjury. The
date of his trial was set for February 7.

Montenegrin Government at Scutari
BERLIN, January 17, by wireless to
Sayville.—The Montenegrin government
has arrived at Scutari, according to

DAY IN CONGRESS.

lution to establish neutral zone at the Mexican border, to be policed by Mexican and American forces.

Judiciary committee recom mended adoption of Cummins resolution for inquiry into abil-ity of federal judges to discharge

ity of federal judges to discharge their duties.
Senator Jones introduced bill to appropriate \$3,900,000 for construction of a dry dock at Puget Sound navy yard, to be at least 1,000 feet in length.
Senator Overman introduced bill to extend Mann white slave act Senator Overman introduced bill to extend Mann white slave act to Alaska, Canal Zone and insular possessions of the United States, Resumed debate on Philippine self-government bill. Indian committee considered Oliver resolution to renew Osage oil lands leases.

House:

Met at noon Quartermaster Gen. Aleshire testified before military committee on army reorganization bill.

Rear Admiral Stanford told naval committee Charleston navy yard never was intended as a first-class yard for dreadnaughts. Congressional investigation of alleged usurious rates charged by national banks urged before rules committee by Representative Howard, Georgia.

Representative Buchanan of Il-

Representative Definition of the Counsel argued before judiciary committee in favor of his resolution of impeachment of District Attorney Marshall of New York trict Attorney Marshall of New York.

Bill levying a prohibitive tax of \$1 a gallon on all gasoline sold by the manufacturer or first vendor at a price equal to 15 cents a gal-lon, and \$1 a gallon for every cent added to that selling price, was in-troduced by Representative Johnson of Kentucky.

Representative Keating, Colo rado, for the labor committee, reported favorably the Keating bill to regulate child labor. Representative Moore, Pennsylvania, made a speech on Ben-jamin Franklin and Franklin's birthday.

DISTRICT IN CONGRESS. Senate:

A bill for 85-cent gas throughout the District of Columbia was introduced by Senator

Senator Jones introduced a bill setting aside the parks between the Capitol and the Union station as a site for memorials to as a site for memorials to women.

Senator Hollis introduced a bill prohibiting the interment of any body in the cemetery of the White's Tabernacle, No. 39, of the Ancient Order of Sons and Daughters and Brethren and Sisters of Moses, located on 37th street west.

street west. Senator Shields introduced a bill to suppress the sale of pis-tols and revolvers and other firearms in the states, territories and the District of Columbia.

Houset Representative Crosser reintroduced his municipal ownership

Representative Clark of Flor-Representative Clark of Florida criticised the office of the supervising architect in a speech on the floor of the House.

Representative Johnson introduced a bill to establish a municipal refuse and disposal plant.

SUPPLIES TO EQUIP **BIG ARMY QUICKLY**

Clothing, Tentage and Wagons for 800,000 Men in Three Months.

GEN. ALESHIRE SUBMITS DATA AT HOUSE HEARING

Government Could Buy 30,000 Horses and 12,000 Mules

The clothing, tentage and wagon equipment for a force of \$00,000 men is ither stored now in army warehouses r could be procured in the open mar Bequests of \$500 each from the estate ket in less than three months. This has of their aunt and uncle are to be paid to been disclosed by a careful investigation made by War Department officials within the last six months, the result of which was described to the House military committee today by Maj. Gen James B. Aleshire, quartermaster gen-

eral of the army. With the machinery for supplying animals for the army in war time in operation, he said, 30,000 horses a month could be purchased and 12,000 mules. The European belligerents are buying at close to that rate, he added, saying that the horses selected for war uses abroad were far below the average set for the American army. No raise in prices for army horses, he said, had resulted from this drain on the market.

Country in Better Position.

The country is in a better position i this regard today than at any previou ime in its history, Gen. Aleshire said, and the present capacity of manufac turing concerns would not be taxed se riously to turn out the equipment fo 300,000 men in ninety days. The present equipment of the army and militia provides for 250,000 men, and supplies for another 250,000 are stored away in for another 250,000 are stored away in army depots.

The investigations included a careful survey of the horse and mule industry, Gen. Aleshire said, and a conservative estimate showed that there were 225,000 horses and 125,000 mules suitable for military purposes available in the country.

Obstacles as to Horses.

Gen. Aleshire placed in the record cor espondence between two other governnent departments and the War Dpartment regarding efforts to produce better norses for military use. Members of the committee showed great interest in the disclosure that the Department of Agri-culture now proposed to abandon its part in the work and that the Indian bureau of the Interior Department had placed ob-stacles in the way of utilizing the brood mares on Indian reservations. shire was asked to prepare a plan unde which the War Department could under take the task itself.

TO CONNECT THE PARKS

Argument Presented for Thoroughfare From Macomb Street to Klingle Ford Road.

early decision the District Commissioners today took up the vexed problem of establishing a connecting roadway of establishing a connecting roadway Park and Rock Creek and Zoo Parks. At a public hearing before the Commissioners this morning residents of Cleveland Park urged that this object be accomplished through the building of a connecting road from Macomb

Another plan under consideration, which has the support of the Chevy Chase Land Company, is that the grade of Klingle Ford road be raised to the grade of Connecticut avenue would mean filling the entire Klingle Ford valley west of Connecticut ave-nue by excavating dirt on the high land south of this road. nue by excavating dirt on the high land south of this road.

Cleveland Park citizens oppose this plan on the ground that it would destroy the natural beauty of the valley. Among the protestants at today's hearings were J. F. Tufts, Mitch. I Carroll. A. T. Gage, Arthur E. Dowell and Glenn Brown.

The proposed connecting road between Macomb street and Klingle Ford road contemplates a low grade crossing under Connecticut and hue bridge at the present grade of Klingle Ford road.

street to Klingle Ford road.

at the present grade of Klingle Ford road.

Jackson H. Ralston, attorney for the Chevy Chase Land Company, advocated the plan of raising the grade of Klingle Ford road, but said the company would make no objection to the proposed extension provided it is put through in such a way as not to obstruct the use of the company's land. Surveyor Melvin C. Hazen recommended to the Commissioners the high grade plan, provided the land company will undertake to fill the valley and provide satisfactory agreement with the owners whose property abuts will undertake to fill the valley and provide satisfactory agreement with the owners whose property abuts Klingle Ford road. In the event a satisfactory agreement cannot be reached, he recommends that the street extension as proposed by the residents of Cleveland Park be authorized, in order that the valley shall not become a public dump and nuisance.

| eggs. Among the many exhibits is game fowls, owned by Ed Ha Benning, D. C., valued at close to display of games ever shown to be a single breeder. Another by a single breeder and the valley shall not become a public dump and nuisance.

BRIG. GEN. W. M. GRAHAM DIES AT WARDOUR, MD.

Veteran of Civil War and Commander of District Regiment Ill Only Short Time.

Brig. Gen. William M. Graham, U. S. A., retired, eighty-one years old, died this morning at the Home of his daughter, Mrs. Alden, wife of Prof. Carroll S. Alden, at Wardour, near Annapolis. Gen. Graham had been ill only a short time with pneu-

Gen. Graham was born in Washington September 28, 1834. He was made second lieutenant of the 1st Artillery in June. 1855, and appointed commander of the 2d Regiment of the District of Columbia Infantry in April, 1865. Gen. Graham saw service as a commander in the civil war until his regiment was mustered out in September, 1865.

He was major general of volunteers and served for a few months in the Span-ish war. His appointment as brigadier general came in May, 1827, and his re-tirement because of age in September,

DEATHS BY PNEUMONIA AND TUBERCULOSIS LESS

Rate Lowest on Record in So-Called "Registration Area" in

Fewer deaths from tuberculosis and neumonia were reported in the socalled "registration area" in 1914 than ever before, according to a bulletin made public today by the bureau of the ensus. The mortality rate for pneumonia is declared to be the lowest or

ecord. standing of the laws of health, the im portance of fresh air, etc., due in part, no loubt, to the efforts of the various societies for the prevention of tuberculosis there has been a most marked and gratifying decrease during recent years in the mortality from this scourge of civiliza tion. In only a decade—from 1904 to 1914—the death rate from tuberculosis in all its forms fell from 200.7 to 146 8 per 100.000, the decline being continuous from year to year. This is a drop of more than 25 per cent.

Only Surpassed by Heart Disease

the grewsome distinction of causing more deaths annually than any other form of bodily illness except heart dis ease, and over 40 per cent more than all external causes-accidents, homi cides and suicides combined.

The only remaining death rate higher than 100 per 100,500 in 1914 was that for Bright's disease and acute nephritis. 102.4. The total number of deaths due to these maladies in 1914 was 67,545, more than nine-tenths of which were caused by Bright's disease and the remainder by acute nephritis.

CHARLESTON NAVY YARD NOT FAVORED, HE SAYS

Rear Admiral Stanford Again Before House Naval Committee-Accused of Being Muzzled.

"The Charleston navy yard is not favored by the Navy Department for handling battleships; I have never seen any statement of policy of the department or of the general board that contemplated the use of that station for dreadnaughts," testified Rear Admiral Stanford, chief of yards and docks, before the House naval committee today Admiral Stanford was plied with questions by Representative Britten of Illinois and other republican members has been used for political purposes. which the admiral denied.

Mr. Britten finally charged that the witness was "muzzled" by the Navy Department, which Admiral Stanford hotly resented, asking Chairman Padgett if "I'm going to be accused of giving the committee false information." Mr. Padgett announced that he was sure the admiral was giving the committee the best information he could and was not trying to evade questions. Admiral Stanford told the committee when the dock now built at Charleston navy yard was designed in 1902 it was intended to accommodate any naval vessel, but that it was outgrown by the tremendous increase in dimensions of naval craft by the time it was completed in 1908. Asked specifically his expert opinion of the erection of a great dry dock for the southern coast at Charleston, he said, "that a larger-dock at Charleston is not an immediate military necessity." Department, which Admiral Stanford

About 1,500 high-bred fowls and pigeons are to comprise the display at the fourth annual exhibition of the National Capital Poultry and Pigeon Association, which is to open tomorrow morning in the Arcade, 14th street and Park road.

The exhibits are declared to be the

largest in number and most varied that have been shown at any previous exhibition of the association, and every available foot of floor space has been requisitioned for use during the week. The exhibition is to close Saturday evening. Claims are made by officials of the association that the number of exhibits in the show is greater than at the big Madison Souare show in New York city, and that the excellence of the specimens is on a par with that of

the specimens is on a par with th the fowls exhibited at the New show. Eggs to Emergency Hospital.

Arrangements have been made to turn over all eggs laid by the feathered aristocrats in the show pens to Emergency Hospital. Last year the Washington Diet Kitchen received these

Among the many exhibits is one of game fowls, owned by Ed Hanna of Benning, D. C., valued at close to \$15.-600, and said to be the most valuable Judging of the competing fowls is to begin tomorrow afternoon, and it is expected to have this work completed in ample time to announce all winners and distribute ribbons and premiums by Saturday morning.

PLEAD GUILTY TO CONSPIRACY.

Five Are Fined on Rubber Charge in Violation of Custom Laws. NEW YORK, January 17.-Edward Weber, Paul Schmidt, Max Jaeger and

Richard Wohlberg, accused in a federal indictment of conspiracy to ship contraband rubber to the German government, in violation of the customs laws, pleaded guilty today and were fined. A plea of guilty was also entered in behalf of the Rubber and Guayule Agency of this city, which was also indicted. Mrs. Annie Dekkers, another defendant, was too ill to be in court and will plead later.

Judge Clayton imposed upon Jaeger a fine of \$1,500, upon Weber and Schmidt fines of \$750 each, upon Wohlberg, \$100, and upon the Guayule agency, \$50.

Anthracite \$40 a Ton in Italy. ROME, January 17 .- In spite of the cold weather, Italy is a country al-most without coal fires. The only tirement because of age in September, 1898.

Gen. Graham had spent much time since in Washington, Annapolis and his summer home in New Hampshire.

Other children living beside Mrs. Alden are Mrs. Burrage, wife of Capt. G. H. Burrage of the navy, and Mrs. Scales, wife of Capt. A. H. Scales, also of the navy.